

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2104 - SB 2422

February 4, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Encourages each local education agency (LEA) to implement an intervention program for grades 3 through 6. Requires each LEA to file an annual report with the Governor and the Education Committees of the House and Senate on or before February 15 on such intervention program. The report, at a minimum, would include the following information:

1. The number of students who participated in the program;
2. The number of times and manner in which the program was presented;
3. Observations as to whether the program affected or altered occurrences of disruptive acts by the students within the school or on school grounds; and
4. Any other information which would be useful to the Governor and General Assembly in evaluating the overall effectiveness of this program.

Present law requires LEAs to implement, for grades 1 and 2, an intervention program utilizing conflict resolution and decision-making strategies aimed at preventing disruptive acts in the school or on school grounds.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Conflict resolution is currently part of the school counselor curriculum. Assumes an additional cost to LEAs to prepare and file the annual report with the Governor and the Education Committees. Assumes the reporting requirements set out in the bill will require one staff person two weeks to accomplish; however, it is assumed that additional staff will not be hired to perform this task.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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